

# PARK END PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## SAFETY IN SCHOOL

Children's safety in school is our number one priority. To ensure we have robust safety procedures in place to plan for those events which are very unlikely to occur, we must regularly practice.

We will practice both procedures in this newsletter in the coming weeks. Prior to this, teachers will talk to children about security procedures in school and explain why they are important.

## FIRE EVACUATION

Fire evacuation practice is carried out in school every 6 months. The school's fire alarm will sound, and every person in the school building will evacuate to the playgrounds and fields, in designated places.

## SPRING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Thursday 7th March:** World Book Day
- **Friday 15th March:** Comic Relief / Red Nose Day
- **Monday 18th March:** Decorate an egg competition opens
- **Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th March:** Parents' evening
- **Friday 22nd March:** Decorate an egg winners picked
- **Friday 22nd March:** School closes for Easter holidays



## LOCKDOWN

Another important safety procedure we must practice is lockdown.

Lockdown would only ever be used when there is a threat to the safety of our children, staff and others at the school and when it is safer for everyone to remain in school rather than evacuate. The aim is to keep everyone safe by confining them to a secure place of safety.

Situations where a lockdown may be used include:

- a potentially dangerous person or animal on the school grounds
- a disturbance or dangerous situation in the local community that could affect the school
- a nearby chemical incident or other risk of air pollution
- an incident related to terrorism

We are aware that some children can find practicing emergency procedures distressing. Please help us reassure children by discussing the need to practice safety procedures in school with your child. Thank you for your ongoing support.



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